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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: A PHOSPHOENOLPYRUVATE SYNTHASE  
GENE USED IN PLANT PROTECTION Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 16, 2007, for which a response is due on August 16, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.